

**DOSI intervention regarding item 10: Eighth Meeting of the informal Working Group on the Protection and Preservation of the Marine Environment. Environmental Impact Assessment/Environmental Impact Statement**

**DR46 Environmental Impact Assessment Process**

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Thank you, Madame Facilitator

In paragraph 3(a) DOSI supports CR and suggests substituting “relevant” with “sufficient” environmental baseline data. All environmental data is relevant. A sufficient information requirement refers to the level of knowledge needed to make informed regulatory and management decisions and ensures adequate environmental protection. Similarly, in paragraph 3(h) DOSI also suggests including explicit reference to a sufficient information requirement. Accordingly, the paragraph would read “Identify scientific and other knowledge gaps or data uncertainties, the sufficiency of information, and [assess] the degree to which these influence the assessment;”

For more information about the sufficient information requirement, DOSI will make a policy brief on this topic available today.

Thank you